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# A message from the president

by JERRY ZARA
President, GSNA

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Your GSNA officers look forward to Spring as a time for renewing our commitment to the hobby. We hope all will join us. Our first major endeavor will be GSNA's Spring Club Workshop. This year's workshop is being planned for Saturday, April 18. By now, all clubs should have received their invitations and pre-registration cards. I hope that all who plan to attend have returned their R.S.V.P.s so that proper arrangements can be made.

Another important event will be the sponsoring of an adult and a young numismatist to this year's American Numismatic Association's Summer Seminar.

This year's ANA seminar will be held in Colorado Springs, CO, during the week of July 12 thru 18. The deadline for submitting applications has been extended to March 31. GSNA will be paying for all tuition costs (including room and board at the university), and a round trip airfare ticket.

On another note, if you ever planned to exhibit and just never got around to it, this is the year to make it happen!

The place, of course, will be our own GSNA convention.

Exhibiting can be a very exhilarating and rewarding experience in more ways than can be imagined. The fel-

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AMERICA ENTERS MARKET — The one ounce American Gold Eagle bullion coin was first struck and circulated late last year. This year will be its first full year of production.

# *Pfeil unopposed for presidency*

Paul J. Pfeil, of Ogdensburg, N.J., GSNA's current first vice president, was the only candidate to declare for the presidency prior to the filing deadline.

Pfeil previously served as the association's corresponding secretary, as well as in other elective and appointed posts.

Four others have accepted nominations to fulfill other posts. They are Dave Runfeldt, first vice president; Dennis Tilghman, second vice president, Doug Moore, treasurer, and Sandford Ross, secretary.

There was not a successful nominee for the office of corresponding secretary; therefore, that post will have to be appointed by the incoming president after the election.

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# GSNA set for 1987 workshop

The 1987 GSNA Club Workshop will take place on Saturday, April 18 at the Landmark Inn, Woodbridge, New Jersey.

The American Numismatic Association's National Coin Week (April 19–25, 1987) will begin the next day. Its theme will be "Currency Worth Noting."

According to Jerry Zara, the 1987 workshop moderator, the daylong program will be a little different from past GSNA workshops.

This year, instead of the having "special topic stations," GSNA will conduct a special workshop similar to those of years ago.

There will be special guest speakers to discuss items that will be pertinent to your club's growth and there will also be some time set aside to hear from all participants.

This year the format and subject matter has been changed somewhat in order to make better use of the time allotted, as there is always so much to cover in so little time.

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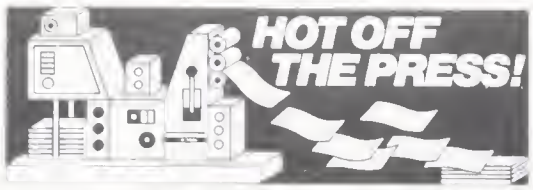


# CLUB NEWS

by ARNO SAFRAN, R-307

If you have information pertaining to your club—whether it be election of officers, an upcoming show, or just timely newsworthy information your club would like to share with G.S.N.A. readers of this journal throughout the state—merely send such information, (preferably typed) to Arno Safran, c/o Trenton Numismatic Club, P.O. Box 93, Trenton, N.J. 08601.

### TRENTON NUMISMATIC CLUB CLM-008

At its second annual pre-holiday season banquet, the Trenton Numismatic Club held its annual meeting.

Elected officers for 1987 include: Arno Safran, president; Howard Freas, vice president and treasurer; Dave Miller, secretary, and George Bergner and Robert Briel, Sergeants in arms.

Safran reported that the club had a banner year in 1986, capped by GSNA Life membership, a successful show, and a festive holiday buffet. He thanked the membership for their efforts and his executive committee along with Elsie and Howard Coss, whose food preparations (roast turkey and baked ham) provided the highlight of the banquet fare.

### HUNTERDON COIN CLUB C-018

The club awarded life memberships to Randy Block and Walter Blejwas for 15 years continued membership. One of the unusual features of the HCC is its life membership policy. One cannot buy into life membership as with most other clubs. One literally has to earn it, the old fashioned way, by continued membership, service and dedication. The life membership cards are among the most attractive the hobby can offer; a hard metallic wallet-sized card, neatly embossed with the life member's name, club, number, etc.

The HCC was founded in 1963 and has held an annual show each year. Last spring they added an Open House in May. The club publishes a monthly newsletter, now in its fourth year. It boasts more than 50 members.

Officers are: George Banghart, president; Paul Ulrich, vice president, Anthony J. Conte, secretary, and Howard Coss, treasurer.

### WATCHUNG HILLS COIN CLUB C-057

The Watchung Hills Coin Club, which meets at the Elks Lodge of Somerset, Rte. 527 in Warren, N.J., recently held its fifth Annual Show on Sunday, Jan. 18, 1987.

The club is now starting its sixth year.

Founded by Peter Doelger, the club's first president, the Watchung Hills C.C. has grown into a two-tiered club; one of its features being a strong YN program, and the other, general membership. Each meeting is divided into two segments; the first, starting at 6:30, is for YN's and is led by Greg Heim, vice president of the club. A central topic is chosen for the YN's to consider, such as a particular type coin, exhibiting, cost factors, varieties, errors, etc. The regular meeting begins at 7:30 and usually features a program of some kind. At the December meeting, for example, Dave Wilson and Robert Nowicki, both dealers and club members, spoke on coin investment potential for 1987. Wilson discussed the mid-range collector's material while Nowicki offered his opinions and suggestions for the high-range investor numismatic items.

The club meets on the second Tuesday of the month.

### NORTHERN VALLEY COIN CLUB CLM-004

The Northern Valley Coin Club of Demarest, N.J., elected the following officers for 1987: Anthony Mastice, president; James Brandt, first vice president; Les Kinley, second vice president; Robert Rohrmeister, recording secretary; Frank Schuierer, corresponding secretary; Thomas Whittle, treasurer; Joseph Pecorino and Criton Drakontides, Board of Governors.

The 110-member club has welcomed 10 new members during the fall season and programs and meetings have included a theater party, Chinese auction, Numismatic Auction (130 items), Adrian Nader speaking on "JIM" (Japanese Invasion Money), and William Horton speaking on "Paper Money."

The club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month (except July and August) at the Methodist Church, 109 Hardenburgh Ave., Demarest, N.J., at 8:00 p.m. and visitors are always welcome. New or prospective members may contact John Rosengren (201) 652-5449 for information.

### OCEAN COUNTY COIN CLUB CLM-002

The club's annual Christmas party meeting was well attended by more than 70 members and guests, while the club purchased food for over 100, resulting in plenty for everyone. Chris Devita again (as he did last year) purchased another superbly decorated sheet cake with the club's zep logo in colorful icing adorning the top.

Some extremely nice donations were made by several generous members to our first annual cheer and condolence auction. Over $170 was raised via some very spirited bidding from the floor.

The Nov. 1987 show, while over 10 months away, is completely sold out, with all 45 tables paid in full at $50.00 per table.

Those who attended our Jan. 6 Educational Meeting heard Arno Safran's talk on "Type Coins a Century Apart."

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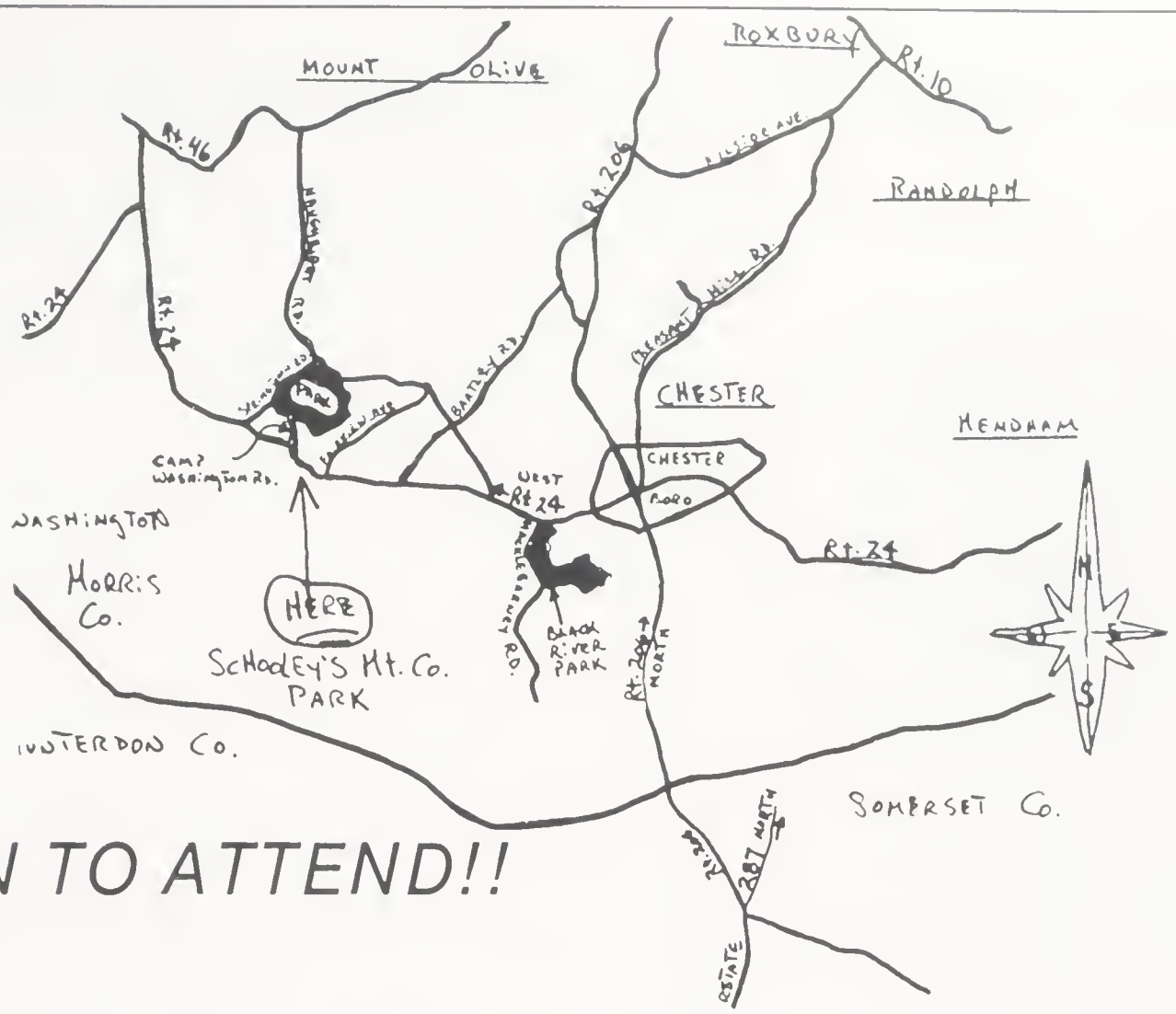


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# *Pioneer hobbyist active at 81*

by ELMER CURRAN

Today's column is a belated "Happy Birthday" to William S. Dewey, who turned 81 on Dec. 5.

Dewey, who lives in retirement in Crestwood Village, Manchester Township, is an inspiration to all of us who find scholarly pleasure from the world of numismatics—coins, medals, paper money, pertinent documents, and friendship with those having similar interest.

At an age when most of us would be content on looking back on life, Dewey looks ahead with new avenues to explore and remains active in the Ocean County Coin Club and the Garden State Numismatic Association.

Although Dewey sold off his coin collection in the 50s, he continues to thrive on research into the life and medals of Adm. George Dewey and other numismatic areas.

Dewey's roots in the hobby go back a long way.

While the American Numismatic Association now has a handsome headquarters in Colorado and a membership in the thousands, Dewey can remember when it consisted of a handful of men. It was so small, in fact, that, as librarian and curator, he used to keep the few books that the ANA had in a cardboard box in his home.

For those of us who keep promising to "get organized," my friend Dewey can be an inspiration or a thorn, depending on the mood I'm in. Everything he has—Dewey medals, completed articles, research for future articles, etc.—is meticulously field, cataloged, photographed, Xeroxed and labeled.

Asked how the habit of research and filing developed, Dewey traces his methodology back to his career as an engineer for Bell Telephone of New York.

"We had to keep a record of everything and know where to find it when we needed it," he recalled.

One of Dewey's challenges in recent years was to explore the history of Ocean County, in general, and of such things as its currency, wooden nickels and tokens in particular.

While one might be surprised to think of a county's currency, the thought becomes more understandable when one realizes that local banks and even some prominent individuals could issue their own notes at one time.

Dewey has completed and published research papers covering Lakewood's ties to the Bergen Iron Works and Manchester Township's roots with the vast holdings and enterprise of the William A. Torrey family.

Working in a related field, Dewey discovered that Toms River was an active banking community in the mid- and late-19th century, and for a very interesting reason.

New York banks would open branches in Toms River to discourage customers from redeeming bank notes for cash. The bankers believed few persons would make the trip from New York to Toms River—a three-day trip—just to redeem the notes. Meanwhile, the banks were able to use the hard cash.

Those who made the trip to Toms River added to the community's economy by having to use local hotels and restaurants before making the return trip home. Much of the local commerce was carried out with the exchange of local scrip and tokens, things that today's collectors enjoy having.

Two of Dewey's favorite pieces are tokens issued by Nite Owl Taxi, Toms River, and Flo's Diner, Beach Haven.

While Dewey has thoroughly enjoyed his years in the hobby, he has some apprehensions about the future.

One, he sees the tilt toward pursuing coins as an investment rather than as a hobby as harmful in that it has siphoned off a lot of coins, thus hurting the opportunity to gather a fine collection at reasonable cost.

Two, he feels the proliferation of grades has made it almost impossible to define a piece, especially in the uncirculated grades, such as an MS-61 or 62 or an MS-63, 64 or 65, with hundreds or thousands of dollars riding on those differences. That, he adds, has simply turned many people off coins.

Dewey suggests that those coming into the hobby should stay within the limits of what they can do and find fun and interest in such things as tokens and medals. "You can buy Hard Times tokens, for example, without spending $22 million to do it," he said.

Dewey, who in recent times completed and had published a work on Manchester Township, has started a brand new endeavor, researching the history of the Grand Army of the Republic and the medals issued by that fraternal order of veterans who served in the Civil War.

William S. Dewey with New Jersey Wooden Nickels.

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# CONECA says thanks to GSNA

The Presidents and General Show Chairmen representing Garden State Numismatic Association during the three years that ERRORAMA was hosted were treated recently to a night out on the town by an appreciative national error collector's club.

The individuals present were past Presidents Jim Brandt and Steve Taylor, Bill Horton, Jr., General Chairman in '84 and '86, Archie Black, General Chairman in '85 and current President Jerry Zara. Several wives were also invited and joined in the festivities.

Lily Langtry's at the Valley Forge Sheraton hotel was the site chosen for entertaining the distinguished guests and dinner was followed by a top-notch live stage presentation of Greg Thompson's famed follies.

Bob Larkin represented CONECA at the direction of President Ed Miller. Larkin holds Board Seat number 1 in the organization and functioned as Bourse Chairman, General Chairman and Exhibit Chairman, respectively, at the three East Coast ERRORAMAS.

How these ERRORAMAS came to be is a story in and of itself.

In 1982 when the two national error clubs, CONE and NECA, voted to merge their forces into one organization, a pair of important decisions were made.

The first was to look into the possibility of nesting ERRORAMA within a popular regional event to maximize the attendance of error/variety collectors and to expose this section of the hobby to those not familiar with the pursuit.

The second decision made was to move the location of ERRORAMA from the West Coast where it had been held for a decade as an independent show. The thinking behind the second idea was to make ERRORAMA a truly national event by moving it to different sections of the country from time to time in order that many unable to travel long distances might attend a show close to home.

The East Coast was selected as a potential site pending acceptance by a regional organization.

A committee of three was formed to investigate sites available to host an ERRORAMA in 1984.

John Wexler, then President of CONECA, headed this committee with Adolf Weiss and Bob Larkin also serving. Contact was made with Jim Brandt of GSNA and also with Bob Rudy representing Maryland State Numismatics.

Following nearly a year of negotiations, GSNA was given the nod after both boards had approved plans to host the event.

ERRORAMA is the annual showcase of error/variety collectors.

At this event more specialty dealers in error/variety material gather together than at any other single show anywhere in the world.

Collectors are given the opportunity to exhibit their favorite error/variety coins while educational forums spot-light the best information available to those interested.

Much more than just a coin show, ERRORAMA has garnered a reputation as the social event of the year for error/variety specialists.

Warm co-operation between GSNA and CONECA worked for three years of first-rate activity. A prime reason for the success of these shows was the availability of workers to make it all happen.

Crossover co-operation is evident from the fact that Bill Horton and Steve Taylor each played roles in the ERRORAMA agendas. Horton served as Exhibit Chairman for ERRORAMA '85 while Taylor was a featured educational forum speaker.

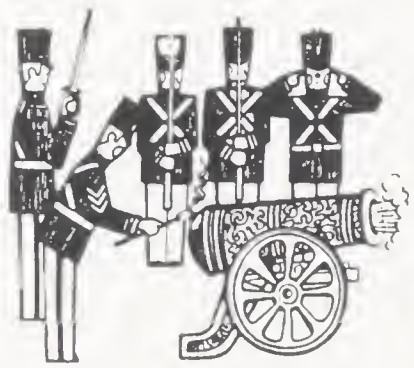
Given the overall success of the three East Coast shows, it naturally became evident that those individuals most responsible for GSNA liaison deserved appropriate recognition. It was taken into consideration that those same persons had walls full of plaques of recognition and to merely add to those seemed redundant. Something special that would be long remembered was called for and the idea of a night out on the town appealed to the designated officials within CONECA as filling the bill.

It is evident from the warm response given the affair that CONECA did not err in selecting this course of action.

The end of one era usually means the beginning of another and such is the case concerning ERRORAMA. The event moves next year to Milwaukee, Wisconsin where it will be nestled within the famed MECCA convention.

This represents still another milestone in that the Mid-West has never before hosted the spectacular while also fulfilling the original intent of making ERRORAMA accessible to each region.

ERRORAMA '88 is slated for Anaheim, California with a reprise to the East in the planning stages for '89.



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# A message from the president

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lowship and comradery alone is well worth the time and effort put forth.

Plan on attending the 1987 GSNA Convention today and take advantage of the opportunity to exhibit.

A GSNA Convention offers so much more than just a bourse.

Paul Pfeil, our general show chairman for 1987, has informed me that arrangements are well underway for the 12th annual GSNA Convention.

One major change from last year's convention is that ERRORAMA will not be with us. That show will be held on the West Coast before returning to the East.

But we're happy to announce that we have engaged another major attraction. For 1987 we will be hosting the New Jersey Token & Medal Show in conjunction with our own convention.

Paul Cunningham, show president, has informed me that they are looking forward to the great opportunity of sharing this time with us and that all efforts are being put forth to bring to New Jersey their best show ever!

Paul also told me that they will be having as many as 47 dealers on hand with all sorts of medals, tokens and postcards. There also will be plenty of exonumia and memorabilia for all you New Jersey Exonumia Society members. Make your plans to attend today!

By combining GSNA's 134 dealers with that of the token and medal show, we will have a grand total of 181 dealers available for your enjoyment. Now that's a show!!!

Again this year, there will be an award for the individual who has signed up the most applicants for new membership in GSNA. There is still time for you to get in on the action. June 15 will be the last day for applications to be counted.

We also presented an award last year to the individual who contributed the most popular article to GSNA's New Jersey Numismatic Journal. We will present this award again this year. The winner will be selected from Vol. 12, Number 3 & 4, and Vol. 13, Number 1 & 2, by three judges. If you have missed this opportunity, it's not too late to think about submitting articles for the future.

One last thought that I would like to dwell on is that of "Involvement and Participation."

Even though the attendance at conventions, shows and meetings seems to have improved, there is a lack of volunteers and workers. It doesn't matter whether it be a regional, state or local organization, there MUST be leaders and workers.

Recently some member clubs were forced to become inactive due to the lack of membership participation.

I find it very difficult to believe that active clubs cannot put together a slate of officers to run their club for one short year. Is everyone only becoming interested in the investment aspect of the hobby?

If clubs were to become extinct, eventually there would only be major conventions and commercial shows to attend. Is that what we really want?

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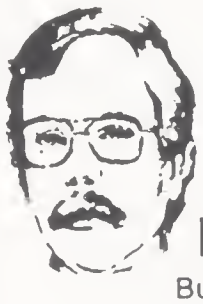

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**HAPPY TIME — Elizabeth Jones, chief engraver and designer at the U.S. Mint, signs autographs at last year's Israel Numismatic Society of South Jersey's dinner-meeting, held on the eve of GSNA's opening convention day.**

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Throughout the years, coin clubs have changing needs and it is important to serve the membership with continued benefits. All clubs should have the desire to improve their weak areas and make education and enjoyment of the hobby a primary goal.

Paul Johnson, C.N.A. Toronto area Director and member of the Educational Committee, was the co-ordinator of the Handbook. The written material was edited by Richard Becker, C.N.A. Eastern U.S.A. Director, Dr. Marvin Kay, prominent Toronto numismatist and Paul Johnson.

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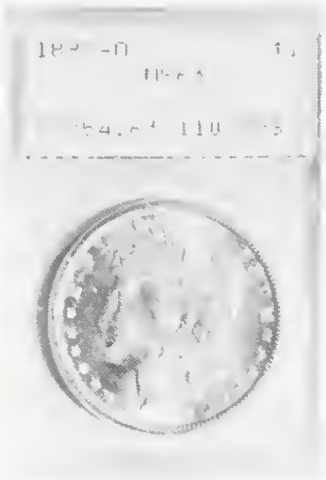

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# Club Honors Mints

by JOHN H. ROSENGREN

The Northern Valley Coin Club of Demarest, N.J. recently struck a medal in honor of the 200th anniversary of New Jersey Colonial Mints and the three million copper coins they produced during their three years of authorized production. Many of the Original Colonies such as Vermont, Virginia, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Connecticut produced their own coinage after the Revolutionary War and New Jersey was a producer of coins as well.

On June 1, 1786 the New Jersey Colonial Legislature authorized Thomas Goadsby, Albion Cox and Walter Mould to mint three million copper coins during 1786–1788. Goadsby and Cox minted their coppers in Rahway while Mould minted his in Morristown.

All three of the original minters had difficulty filling their quota of coppers for the legislature. The coins were to be worth 15 to the shilling and weigh 150 grains each. Cox even spent some time in debtor's prison, later escaped and fled to England.

The coppers were minted by hand, one at a time and several thousand had to be produced daily to meet the legislative deadline of June 1788. One man placed the copper blank (planchet) on the lower die (where the coin design had been engraved) and the upper die was lowered by a large wooden screw operated by two men who pushed a wooden beam in a semi-circle to apply pressure for the imprinting of the dies on the copper, and then back again to release the new coin. Since pressure was not uniform with each strike, many of the coppers were poorly struck, struck off center and nearly all have a poor quality in the center of the coin. The dies had been hardened but through continuous use and too great pressure, they often broke or cracked. Dies were expensive to cut, took a long time to make and were often kept in use long after a break just to keep up production. Many of the original coppers have horse heads with protruding tongue, goiter of the lower jaw of the horse, and one has a line going from the horse head toward the plow (bridle variety).

New Jersey Coppers are available at coin shows, auctions and from dealers at prices from $10 up to $52,000 depending on condition, strike and rarity. It is much more fun to acquire New Jersey Coppers at garage sales, flea markets, or from accumulations in attics or cellars. One triple struck New Jersey Copper was found recently in South Hackensack, in the foundation of an old house which was being demolished. Some of these coins may be VERY RARE and worth quite a bit of money—and most people don't even know what they are. If YOU see a coin that looks like the illustration (horse head and plow on one side and shield on the other) you may have a valuable early New Jersey Copper!

The coin club medal was authorized by the Board of Governors of the Northern Valley Coin Club. It was struck by the Pressed Medals Products Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., Canada and is 29mm in diameter and was struck in copper (maximum mintage 1000) and in silver (maximum mintage 100). The copper piece is available at $3.50 each and the silver piece which contains about one third of an ounce of .999 fine silver is sold out. The copper piece is accompanied by a card giving information about the medal. Checks or money orders for the medal plus a stamped, self-addressed letter size envelope may be sent to John H. Rosengren, 332 Eastside Ave., Ridgewood, N.J. 07450.

The medals' obverse (head side) shows a horse head and plow representing the importance of agriculture in the New Jersey Colony. Nova Caesarea (New Jersey) was the name given by the Duke of York when he sold the New Jersey Colony. The Island of Jersey (in the English Channel) had been "owned" by Caesar when the Romans occupied England, hence the Nova Caesarea. The date is under the plow bar and 1786–1986 indicates the 200th anniversary of this series of New Jersey Colonial Coppers.

The reverse of the medal (tail side) has an outlined shield and E. Pluribus Unum (one out of many) around the shield.

## STORY LAUDED

Editor:

Harold Flartey should be commended for his recent article on New Jersey state coins.

It was particularly enjoyable and informative because it was concise and yet contained numerous facts of historical and human interest.

Robert Rhue,
Numismatic Investments,
Englewood, Colorado

### CORRECTION

The American Numismatic Association's 1987 Summer Seminar will take place on July 12–18, and not 7–13 as mentioned in previous edition.

GSNA will be sponsoring one adult and one young numismatist to this seminar. Deadline for applications has been extended to **March 31, 1987**.

# GSNA set for 1987 workshop

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In addition, there will be a luncheon at which time the participants will be able to meet and chat with fellow officers and future officers from other GSNA member clubs.

Everyone attending will receive a special wooden flat to commemorate the occasion.

The workshop is part of GSNA's ongoing efforts to promote numismatic education and to help member clubs achieve their goals.

Registration will take place from 8:30–9:15 a.m. on the day of the workshop. Pre-registration cards have been mailed to all member clubs.

For further information, contact Jerry Zara, Workshop Chairman, P.O. Box 248, Brick, NJ, 08723-0248.

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# A look at the candidates

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vote per candidate, which shall be officially notorized and properly recorded as per GSNA's by-laws.

The candidates will be installed at this year's GSNA convention in June in Cherry Hill. They will serve a two-year term. The incumbent officers, headed by Jerry Zara, will step down at that time.

NJNJ received biographies on four of the five candidates. They are:

## FOR PRESIDENT

Paul J. Pfeil is a candidate for the office of president of GSNA.

Paul is an honorary life member of GSNA and currently serves as vice president of the association.

He is past president of the Sussex County Coin Club and a member of the Board of Governors of GENA. He has been an active numismatist for over 20 years, and a part-time dealer for the past eight years. During much of this time he has been deeply involved in hobby organizations.

With GSNA, for example, he has served as convention bourse chairman, security chairman, exhibits chairman, and coordinator of special club workshops and grading seminars.

At the present time, he is general show chairman for the upcoming 12th Annual Convention in Cherry Hill, N.J.

An election promise that he made two years ago to initiate a county representative program is now organized and in the fine tuning stages.

"The Garden State Numismatic Association celebrates its 12th anniversary this year," Pfeil noted, "and all of the candidates, without exception, have a loyalty and dedication to our organization and without question should be elected to the various offices they are seeking.

"GSNA, with the direction of the past boards," he said, "has grown very strong over the past years, and because of this, Numismatics is alive and well in the Garden State."

PAUL J. PFEIL

Pfeil added, "I am asking all members to support the organization 100 percent so we can continue to grow, and I wish to thank the members for the privilege to be counted among the candidates for office."

DENNIS TILGHMAN

## 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Dennis B. Tilghman, a candidate for second vice president, is 28 years old and has lived in New Egypt, Plumsted Township, N.J., most of his life.

He was graduated from Allentown High School and has been attending college on a part-time basis to study photography.

He also enjoys touring the country on his motorcycle.

He has been employed at Princeton Applied Research, an electronics firm in Princeton, N.J., for the past seven years.

Tilghman has been active in numismatics for the past 12 years. His collecting interests vary—U.S. Type Coins, Commemoratives, New Jersey Exonumia and Colonial Coins and Currency. He also collects photographic tokens and medals and related material, including Kodak cameras.

Tilghman is a Life Member of GSNA, the New Egypt Coin Club, Ocean County Coin Club and the New Jersey Exonumia Society. He also holds membership in ANA, GENA, MANA and other local and specialized organizations.

At the present time he holds the office of treasurer in the New Egypt Coin Club and also is editor of its monthly newsletter, and co-chairman of the annual show.

He has formerly held the office of corresponding secretary of GSNA, served as chairman of its annual picnic and is currently equipment chairman of GSNA and editor of the annual GSNA calendar.

Tilghman has been exhibiting for about six years at local, state and regional shows and is proud to have received three third place awards at the ANA conventions.

He finds exhibiting to be the most rewarding part of collecting.

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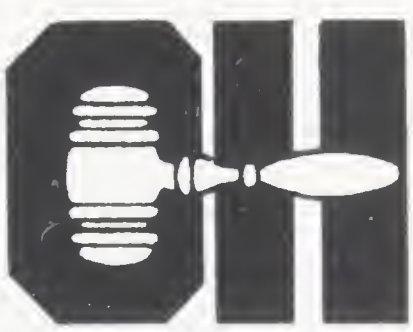

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DOUG MOORE

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# TREASURER

Doug Moore is a candidate for the office of GSNA treasurer, a post he has served in from 1985-87.

Moore has served as exhibit chairman for the last three GSNA conventions. He also served as exhibit chairman for two conventions of the Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association in 1980 and 1984. Recently, he was elected MANA vice president.

He has served at various times as president, vice president and secretary of the Kent Coin Club in Delaware. He also is a member of the Currency Club of Chester County in Pennsylvania. In recent years, he has exhibited at numerous coin conventions from Rhode Island to Georgia, and presented numerous programs on currency at meetings of local clubs.

Moore resides in Dover, Del., where he is employed as a real estate broker by the Bob Moore Realty Co. He has served as a director of the local Board of Realtors for the last three years, and this year is serving as treasurer of the group. In 1983, he was cited by the board as "Realtor Associate of the Year."

He is president of the Kiwanis Club in Dover and was honored by the club as "Outstanding Kiwanian" in 1981 and 1984. He also was selected by fellow-Kiwanians as one of the "Outstanding Young Men in America" in 1984.

Moore serves on the Delaware 4-H Advisory Council, is assistant scoutmaster of a Boy Scout troop for the hearing-impaired and is a member of the Business, Industry and Education Alliance for Delaware.

G.E.N.A. HONORS — Ed Quagliana (left) presents William H. Horton Past President's Plaque and a $5 gold piece in a gold ring in honor of his 4½ years as G.E.N.A. president.

SANFORD ROSS

# RECORDING SECRETARY

Sandford A. Ross Jr. is seeking the office of recording secretary.

Sandford currently holds the office of corresponding secretary for the GSNA and is co-chairman or a member of several committees involved with our upcoming convention. He assisted at our last picnic and seminar and handles the sale of the association's convention medals.

While holding life membership in GSNA, the Ocean County Coin Club and the New Egypt Coin Club, Sandford is also a member of the Trenton Numismatic Club, the New Jersey Exonumia Society, and the Token and Medal Society. He is also the current vice president of the O.C.C.C.

Sandford's interest in numismatics began some 15 years ago and his present interests lie mainly in Thomas Jefferson exonumia. His other main hobby is the collecting and recreational shooting of hand guns.

Sandford and his wife Theresa have two sons, Christopher and Austin, and reside in South Toms River, N.J. He is employed at Vista Building Supply Co., Toms River, as an assistant manager.

*Photo by Archie Black*

**WORK RECOGNIZED — O.C.C.C. Life Member Douglas Tilghman was presented with the "O.C.C.C. Hardest Worker Award" during the Ocean County Coin Club's 1986 Annual Banquet held at the Old Time Tavern in Toms River, N.J. "His devotion to the club and his extraordinary efforts for contributing to many club and hobby activity successes were cited as the basis for this recognition award," stated club president Archie A. Black before 80 members and guests in attendance.**

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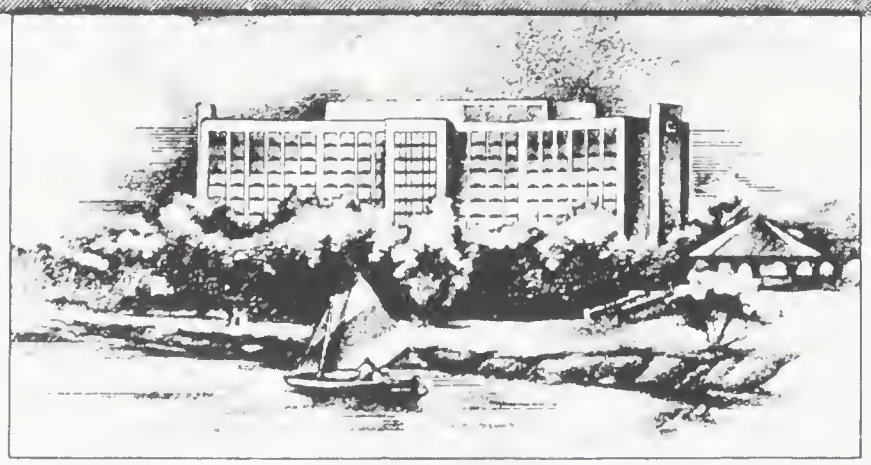

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